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# The landscape of Japanese MEMS R&D and Industry

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(MEMS:Micro Electrical Mechanical System)

### **Outline**

- Brief introduction of Micromachine Center
- **◆** Advantages and Issues of Japanese MEMS Industry
- ◆ Comparing Supply-chain in USA, Europe, and Japan
- **♦** Foundation of Micro-nano open innovation Center(MNOIC)

# Micromachine Center (MMC)

Nonprofit foundation established in January, 1992, and authorized by Ministry of Economy Trade and Industry, (METI)

### Mission:

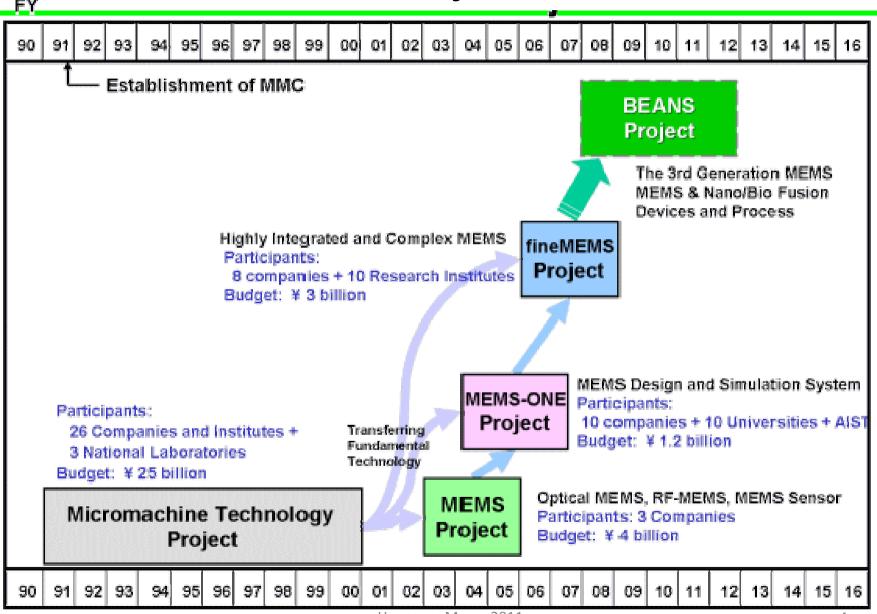
Supporting establishment of future technologies and Industrialization for MEMS

Planning of National R&D projects, Micromachine Exhibition etc in cooperation with government, academy and industry

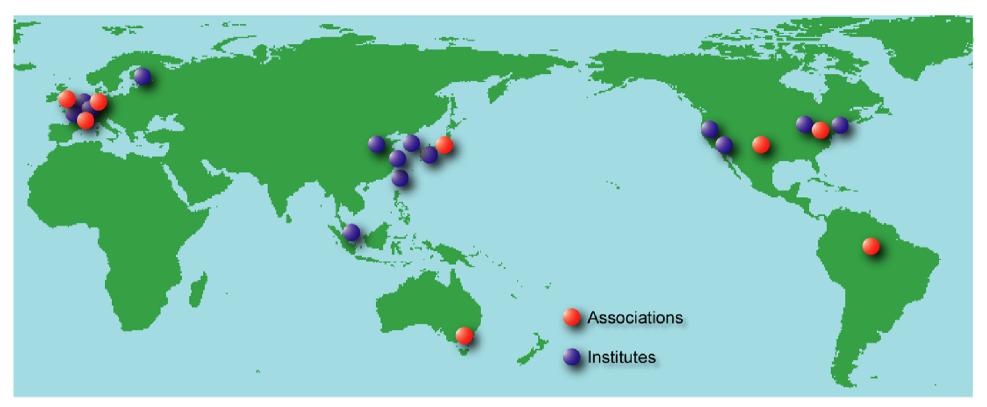
Supporting members: 48 companies and 2 organizations (as of March 1, 2011).

Exhibition Micromachine/ MEMS July 13-15, 2011 Tokyo, Japan

## **National R&D Project for MEMS**



### International MEMS & Micro-Nano Affiliates Network



iVAM Germany

MANCEF USA

MIG USA

**NEXUS** Switzerland

MNTNetwork UK

Fraunhofer ENAS

UC Berkley, BSAC USA

U of Michigan, WIMS USA

**IMEC** Belgie

**SSTT** China

SIMTech Singapore

**SUFRAMA** Brazil

**IME** Singapore

**NTRA** Korea

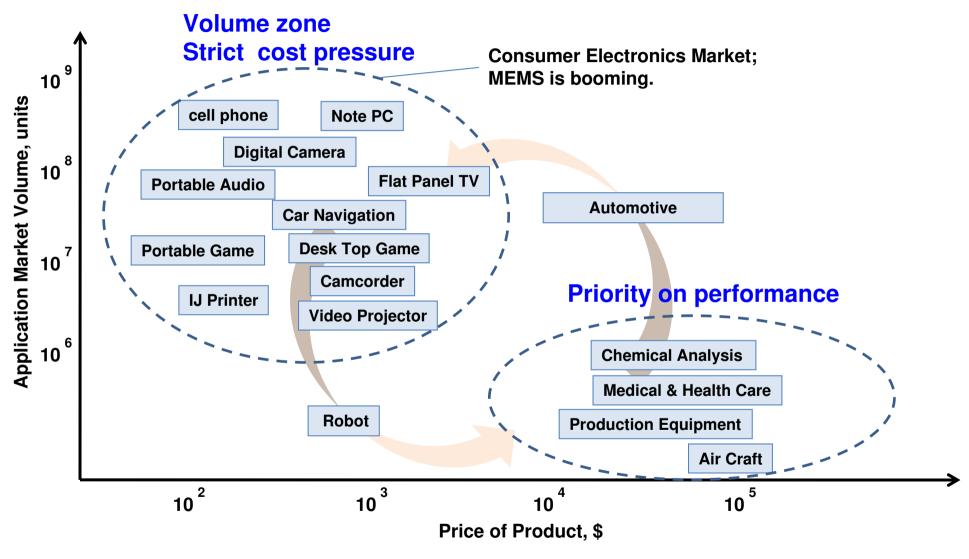
**VTT** Finland

NNMC USA

**CEA-LETI** France

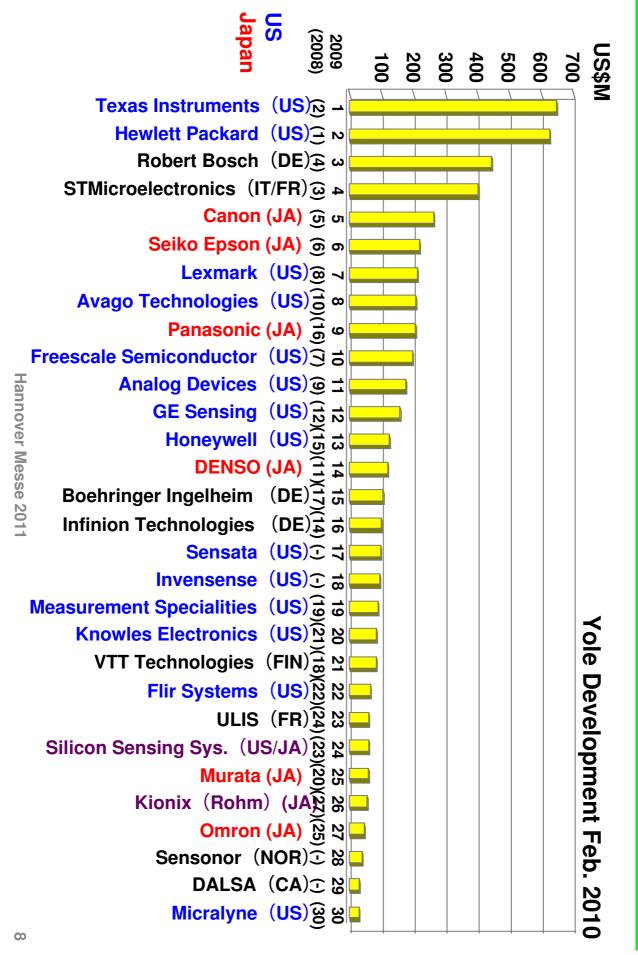
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# MEMS applications, Price/Volume Map

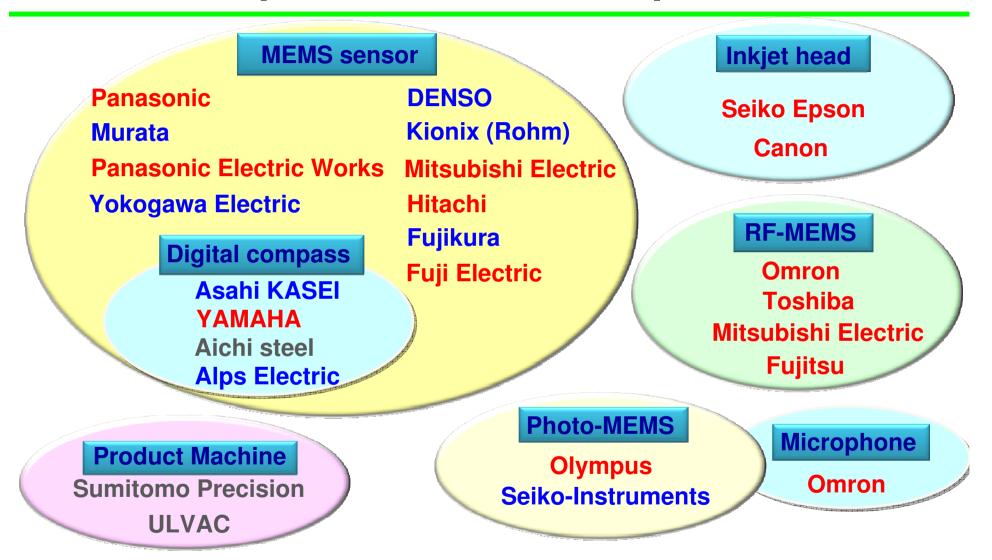


Japanese MEMS companies has a tough competition in volume zone

# World Top 30 MEMS Companies in 2008 & 2009



# Japanese MEMS Companies



Vertical Integration Maker (General electric company) or Large Device Maker No Fabless Venture in Japan

# **Issues of Japanese MEMS Industry**

( Depend on the companies )

# Low <u>developing speed</u> from idea to product Inferior <u>cost competitive</u> in high volume zone devices

	Vertical Integration Maker Large Device Maker with Captive Fab	Fabless venture + MEMS foundry
Company	World TI, Bosch, STMicroelectronics  Japan Canon, Panasonic, Denso	World Invensense, Knowles, SiTime + TSMC, DALSA, Micralyne  Japan Few fabless venture
Advantage Co	Well funded R&D, Collaboration, M&A	Less R&D investment
	Continuous R&D for long time	High decision speed
	Captive Fab: Black box kept in-house	Take advantage of Outsourcing
	⇒ High cost,	Standardized MEMS process
	Original devices with original process know-how	

# **Advantages of Japanese MEMS Industry**

( Depend on the companies )

Developing core technology continuously and steadily Innovative design corresponding to the application needs

### Successful example

- Asahi KASEI Microelectronics : 3-axis Electronic Compass
- Type: Si-monolithic 3-axis geomagnetic sensor LSI

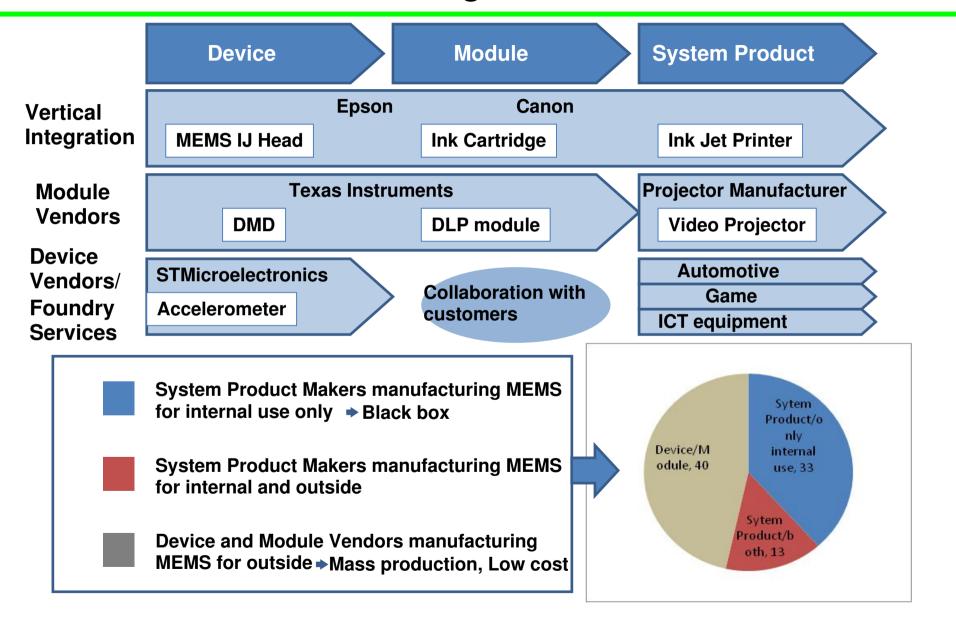


Success factor: LSI Design + Hall elements magnetic sensor

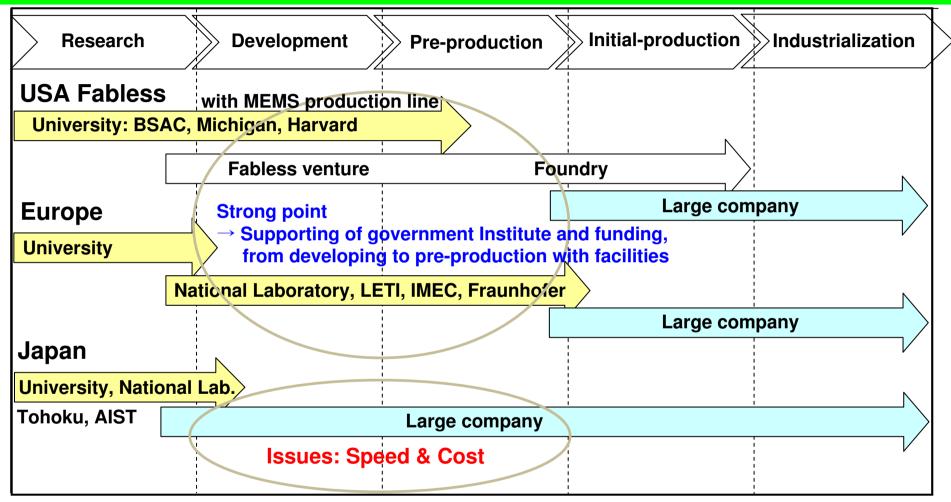
- Panasonic : Angular rate sensor
- Type : integrating two MEMS silicon tuning forks on which a piezoelectric thin film

Quartz vibration angular rate sensor + <u>Piezoelectric thin film</u> + Si MEMS fabrication (Black box technology)

### Value-chains of Vertical Integration and Module Vendors



### Supply-chain of USA Fabless, Europe, Japan



### **Issues of Japanese MEMS Industry**

- Development speed, Cost competitive, foundation of Venture Company
- Supporting of Development ~ pre-production by government Institute and fund
- →need to establish new institute

### AIST activity in Tukuba, Japan

(National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology)

6 Core Research Domains related to Micro system

Nano-electronics -

- -New devices creation
- -Integration with material and equipment
- -45/60nm, 300mm line

Power Electronics ———

- -Reliability more than 30 years
- -Pilot production of SiC devices



### N-MEMS

- -Sensor networks
- -Green fabrication process
- -200mm/300mm line





**Micro-Nano Open Innovation Center** 

Nano Material Safety —

- -Risk evaluation
- -Control method to ensure nanomaterial safety

**Green Nano -**

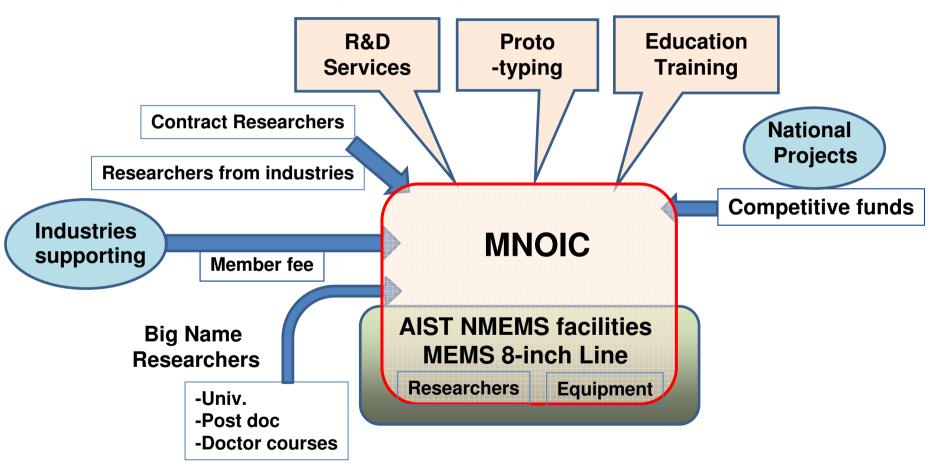
- -Contribution to low carbon society
- -Fundamental research

**Carbon Nanotubes -**

- -Application technologies
- -Mass production technologies

### Foundation of Micro-Nano Open Inovation Center (MNOIC)

MNOIC opens from April, 2011
Gather human resource, facilities, and funds



# Summary

### Advantage of Japanese MEMS R&D and Industries

Developing core technology continuously and steadily

Innovative design corresponding to the application needs

### **Issues of Japanese MEMS R&D and Industries**

Low developing speed from idea to product

Inferior cost competitive in high volume zone devices



### One of the solution

Foundation of Micro-Nano Open Innovation Center (MNOIC)

# Thank you for your attention!